

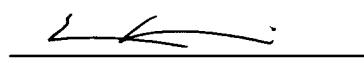
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77. A device according to claim 72, wherein said thin film has a thickness of 25-

REMARKS

The Official Action mailed March 9, 1998 has been received and its contents carefully noted. A Continuing Prosecution Application is filed together with this preliminary amendment. Claims 21-33 were pending in the present application prior to the present amendment. Claims 21-33 have been canceled and new claims 34-77 have been added to claim additional protection to which applicant is entitled. These claims are supported by at least Figure 26 and page 40, lines 2-31 of the present specification. Examination on the merits is requested.

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